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Applicants: A. Aguzzi, *et al.*

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FOR TRANSMISSIBLE SPONGIFORM  
ENCEPHALOPATHY AND METHODS FOR  
THE MANUFACTURE OF NON-INFECTIVE  
BLOOD PRODUCTS AND TISSUE DERIVED  
PRODUCTS.

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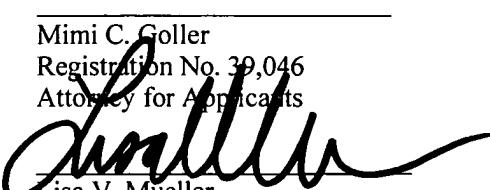
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Respectfully submitted,  
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